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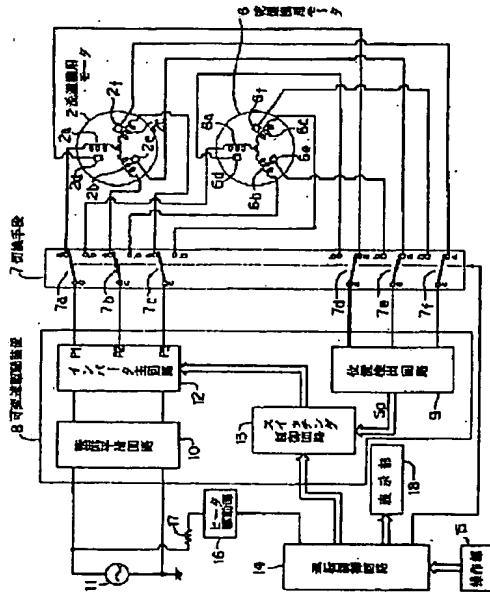
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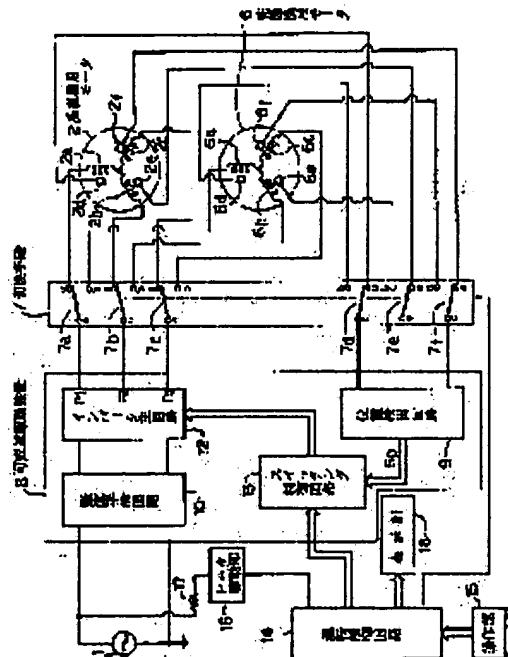
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CLAIMS

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[Claim(s)]

[Claim 1] In the laundry device which changes combining the washing machine equipped with the motor for washing machines, and the dryer equipped with the motor for dryers, after the thing in which adjustable-speed operation is possible constitutes said motor for washing machines, and the motor for dryers The laundry device characterized by establishing the variable speed drive equipment used as the common power source of each of said motor, and the means for switching which drives alternatively any of said motor for washing machines, and the motor for dryers they are with the output of this variable speed drive equipment.

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**TECHNICAL FIELD**

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**[Industrial Application]** This invention relates to the laundry device which changes combining a washing machine and a dryer.

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**PRIOR ART**

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[Description of the Prior Art] in recent years, the thing of a configuration of carrying out adjustable-speed operation of the motor for washing and performing a series of strokes of a rinse and dehydration in an automatic washing machine presents practical use -- having -- \*\*\*\* -- \*\* -- when a configuration [ like ] is adopted, while being able to generate the various wash streams according to a class, an amount, etc. of the washing and being able to aim at improvement in added value, many merits with realizable reduction of the noise are obtained.

[0003] If it is specifically in the above washing machines, using DC brushless motor from which big torque is acquired is performed as a motor for washing machines also at the time of low-speed rotation, and carrying out drive control of this motor with the variable speed drive equipment which combined the DC-power-supply circuit, the inverter main circuit, etc. is performed.

[0004] moreover -- although practical use is not presented with the thing of a configuration of carrying out adjustable-speed operation of the motor for desiccation operation activation in the dryer -- \*\* -- when a configuration [ like ] is adopted, a merit, like control of wrinkling in a dry matter is attained can be expected not to mention the reduction in the noise.

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**EFFECT OF THE INVENTION**

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**[Effect of the Invention]** After according to this invention the motor which can adjustable-speed operate the motor for washing machines and the motor for dryers constitutes so that clearly [ explanation / above ], Since it considered as the configuration which forms the variable speed drive equipment used as the common power source of these motors, and drives alternatively any of said motor for washing machines, and the motor for dryers they are with the output of this variable speed drive equipment What is necessary is just to face carrying out adjustable-speed operation of the motor for washing machines, and the motor for dryers, and to form one variable speed drive equipment, and the outstanding effectiveness that merits, such as reduction in the noise by adjustable-speed operation of a motor, are realizable with low cost is done so.

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**TECHNICAL PROBLEM**

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[Problem(s) to be Solved by the Invention] Considering that a noise reduction is in one of the merits of the function, in the laundry device which changes combining a washing machine and a dryer, it is irrational to give the adjustable-speed operation function of a motor which was mentioned above only to one side. However, in a laundry device, when giving the adjustable-speed operation function of the motor for washing machines, and the motor for dryers to both washing machine and dryer, it will be alike, respectively, comparatively expensive variable speed drive equipment will be needed, and the steep rise of the whole cost will be caused as a result.

[0006] In the laundry device by which this invention changes in view of the above situations combining a washing machine and a dryer It is made paying attention to the special conditions that whose these washing machines and a dryer are operated by coincidence with large-capacity-izing it is decreasing. The purpose One variable speed drive equipment can be shared to the drive of the motor for washing machines, and the drive of the motor for dryers, with it is in offering the laundry device which does so the effectiveness that merits, such as reduction in the noise, are realizable with low cost etc.

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MEANS

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[Means for Solving the Problem] This invention considers as the configuration which establishes the means for switching which drives alternatively any of said motor for washing machines, and the motor for dryers they are with the output of this variable-speed-drive equipment while it forms the variable-speed-drive equipment used as the common power source of these motors after the motor in which adjustable-speed operation is possible constitutes the motor for washing machines, and the motor for dryers in the laundry device which changes combining a washing machine and a dryer in order to attain the above-mentioned purpose.

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**OPERATION**

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**[Function]** Adjustable-speed operation of the motor for dryers is performed in the adjustable-speed operation list of the motor for washing machines by the same variable speed drive equipment according to the selection actuation by the means for switching. Therefore, it becomes unnecessary to form variable speed drive equipment in each of a washing machine and a dryer, and the whole cost rise can be controlled now.

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**DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS**

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**[Brief Description of the Drawings]**

**[Drawing 1]** Drawing showing the electric configuration of one example of this invention

**[Drawing 2]** The whole rough drawing of longitudinal section

**[Description of Notations]**

the inside of drawing, and 1 -- a washing machine and 2 -- in the motor for washing machines, and 4, a means for switching and 8 show variable speed drive equipment, and, as for a dryer and 6, 14 shows an operation control circuit, as for the motor for dryers, and 7.

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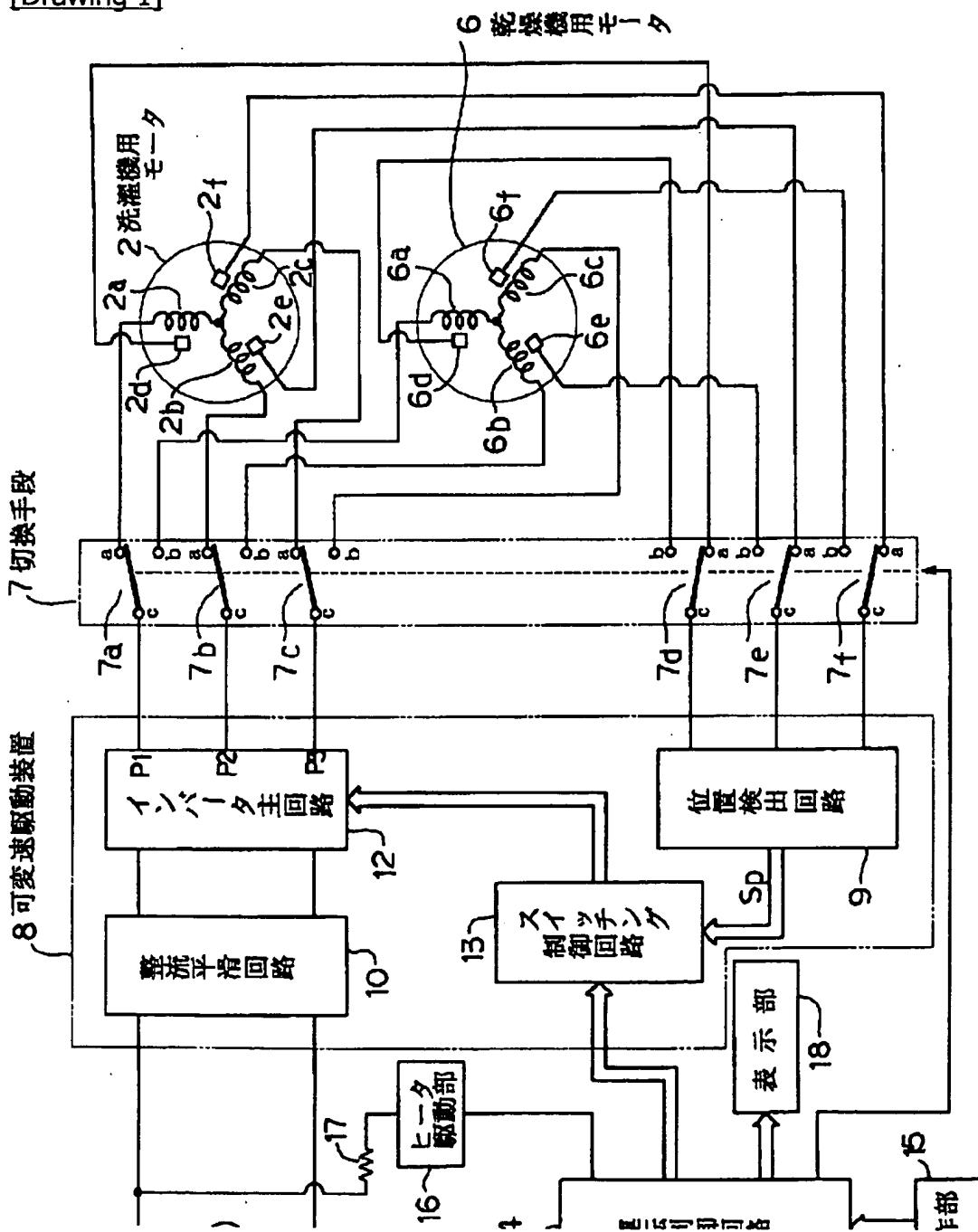
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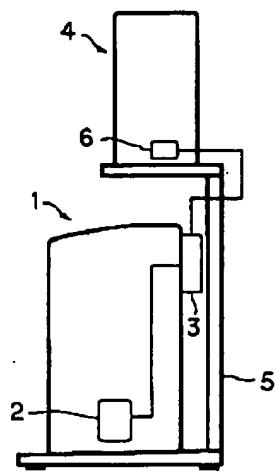
## DRAWINGS

## [Drawing 1]





[Drawing 2]



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